

GUIDED EXPERIENCE

FOR

PATROL LEADERS' COUNCIL AND SCOUTMASTER

ON THEIR

FIRST OVERNIGHT CAMPING TRIP

AT KIWANIS RESERVATION

AUSPICES OF

COUNCIL LEADERSHIP TRAINING COMMITTEE

CHICAGO COUNCIL, BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

- A. Program cards numbered from 1 to 31
- B. Keyed to General Program Outline
- C. All cards kept in numbered sequence on ring
- D. Used by Faculty Advisor and Scoutmaster

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Abbreviations

- ADV. -- Faculty Advisor
- G.E.T.L.C. -- Guided Experience Troop Leaders' Council
- S.P.L. -- Senior Patrol Leader
- P.L. -- Patrol Leader

GENERAL PROGRAM  
GUIDED EXPERIENCE FOR TROOP LEADERS' COUNCIL

KIWANIS RESERVATION  
CHICAGO COUNCIL, BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Saturday

Key to  
Program Cards

11:00 A.M.	- Arrive at Kiwanis Reservation -- check in	4-5-6-7
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Saturday - 11:00 A.M.

Scoutmaster and his Troop Leaders' Council scheduled to arrive  
at Camp Entrance, Kiwanis Reservation.

Troop Leaders' Council is composed of the following:

1 Scoutmaster  
1 Senior Patrol Leader  
1 Troop Scribe  
1 Troop Quartermaster

Patrol Leaders  
Ass't Patrol Leaders  
1 Additional Adult Leader

Total of 16 persons or less

ADV.

Meet Troop at Camp Entrance - Introductions and greetings -  
escort group to Rangers Office - have S.M. complete the regular  
check-in with the official Camp Reservation Permit - fill out  
Roster - secure keys.



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ADV.

Escort group to quarters assigned.

S.M. - Asks S.P.L. to form group by Patrols lead by P.L.'s (everyone carries own pack)

ADV. - On way to quarters point out locations -

- A - Water supply
- B - Camp Store
- C - Wood Pile
- D - Incinerator
- E - Location of Church Service
- F - Pit Toilets

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On arrival at quarters -

S.P.L. - After consulting with S.M. assigns one Patrol to each quonset -  
(Each quonset hold 8)

BUT - before entering, each P.L. will actually assign beds and let one Scout enter at a time. Scout will place his gear on bed and immediately come outside and take his place in Patrol formation.

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S.M. - NOTE #1 - If Patrols are not organized before arrival, the organizing must be done NOW and temporary - P.L.'s selected.

S.M. - NOTE #2 - If there are two adult leaders, one should be assigned to each quonset.

S.M. and S.P.L. - Confer and ask P.L.'s to assign Patrol duties as follows -

Each Patrol

2 Scouts - secure water for lunch

2 Scouts - small quantity of wood to start fire

1 Scout - secure one Refuse can from incinerator

2 Scouts - make small one pot Patrol fire and  
prepare hot beverage for lunch.  
(Soap bottom and sides of pot to make  
cleaning easier)

ADV. - While Scouts are busy, you now have about five minutes to review the next few cards with S.M. and S.P.L.

Distribute form - "Rotation of Patrol Responsibilities" - one for each P.L.

S.P.L. -- When Scouts return from assignments have P.L.'S do the following:

- A. Organize Patrol Responsibilities
- B. Select place where water can be stored and kept clean
- C. Where wood can be stored - out of way and remain dry
- D. Arrange for a wood chopping block and protected chopping area
- E. Clean table - ready for lunch
- F. Water on fire to boil and be ready for dishwashing (Soap bottom of pot)



12 Noon

S.P.L. - Lunch - Sandwiches brought from home and hot chocolate. Select someone to give "Grace" - all sit down together.

P.L.'s - Wash dishes and pots - clean table - scrap all paper in Refuse Can - fire out.

ADV. - While lunch beverage is being prepared, demonstrate how to start and use charcoal fire - cover these points:

A - Fire Starters

B - Charcoal hotter than wood

C - No smoke

D ---No soot on pots

E - Fan to get well started

F - Pots set directly on charcoal

G - Economy -  $2\frac{1}{2}$  lbs. will cook meal for 10

H - Charcoal can be extinguished with water-then dried and reused.



1:15 P.M. - Flag Raising

S.P.L. - Appoint one P.L. to select Scouts to raise flag (Refer to B.S.H.B. section titled "Our Flag")

S.P.L. - Have group gather by the Advisor - use "Hand Signals" as per B.S.H.B. in section titled "Field Signals"

ADV. - Short five minute explanation why the Troop Leaders' Council is having a guided experience.

A - Demonstrate the Patrol Method (Team action)

B - Training of boy leaders so they will know how to carry on with their own Patrols

C - To make sure that all future hikes and overnight camping trips will be carried on in a Scout-like manner - the Scout Oath and Law as our guide.

D - That Good Camping is easy if everyone does just a little more than their share.

E - To learn how to use the B.S.H.B.

ADV. - Now a short tour of camp - stopping often to cover the following -  
each Patrol in charge of P.L.

A - No washing of person or pots at water spigot - why.

B - Bridle Trail - horses - do not annoy horse or rider.

C - Ranger's Home.

D - Training Center - its purpose.

E - Summer Camp.

F - Tent Camping Area - the Messkit Cabin.

G - Camp Store open 2 to 4:30 P.M. Saturday & 10 to 11 A.M. on Sunday.

H - This is Forest Preserve - we may not cut or mar any trees or shrubs  
or pick flowers.

I.- Start of Nature Trail.

J - Areas out-of-bounds and why: Forest Preserves Headquarters -Camp Sokol.

K - No swimming

L - Respect for other Troops in camp and their tents or cabins.



1:45 P.M. - Knife & Axe

ADV. - Demonstrate (or have S.M. or S.P.L.)

A - Knife - safety - sharpening - everyone make a fuzz-stick  
(use fuzz-stick later when starting fires) Dull knives  
should be sharpened.

B - Axe - safety - carrying - passing - use - chopping block -  
storage - sharpening.

C - Woods Manners - (to help other people at all times)

1. Camp area clean
2. Do not use more wood than needed
3. Use toilets
4. Put out fires completely (Dead Out) no trace of your fire left
5. Walk single file through woods & hold branches that might injure man behind.
6. No tricks on anyone - no hazing.
7. Always leave small supply of wood for next group of campers.
8. Return all equipment clean & in good condition.

D - Conservation (Thrifty) - (Duty to Country)

Take entire group to a place in camp where land conservation (erosion control) could be done as a Troop Project.

See new National Conservation Pledge.

3:00 P.M. - Learn by Doing - Tents & Dining Flies

ADV. - With S.M. and S.P.L. assisting in supervision have -

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|---------------------------|---|------------------------------------|
| 1 Patrol erect Dining Fly | } | Refer to B.S.H.B. section on Tents |
| 1 Patrol erect a Tent     |   |                                    |

NOTE - Be sure to cover following -

A - Pitch of ground - drainage - no trenches

B - Proper knots - everyone learn taut-line hitch

C - Peg put in ground before fastening tents

D - Tent opening away from wind.



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ADV. - While Patrols are busy on tents etc. you now have a little time to converse with S.M. regarding next few items on program and he will have opportunity to prepare himself. Also if time permits talk with S.M. about the first 64 pages in S.M.H.B. - such parts as - "A Scoutmaster's job is to help boys grow by encouraging them to learn for themselves. NOT to instruct individual boys in Scoutcraft."  
"A Scoutmaster's job is to train and guide boy leaders to run THEIR Troop. Not to run HIS Troop himself."  
"The test of the Patrol Method is in the easy chair."

NOTE: Above are a few quotes from S.M.H.B.

4:15 P.M. - Preparation for Supper

S.M. - Ask your S.P.L. to work with Quartermaster and Patrol Cooks in dividing and issuing food and equipment for supper.

P.L.'s - See that Firemakers - Cooks & Waterman are on the job to get things started.

S.P.L. - While supper is being prepared be ready with selected Patrol and Scouts to lower flag.

S.P.L. & P.L.'s - While cooking is in progress have balance of Scouts do following as needed -

- A - Sharpen own pocket knife
- B - Learn to whip ends of rope & teach others
- C - Have woodmen get wood for campfire
- D - Personal cleanliness - wash hands - face - comb hair to be ready for supper



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5:00 P.M. - Lower Flag

Fold properly and put away ready for morning.  
(See B.S.H.B. section on Flags)

5:30 P.M. - Supper - Boy Patrols

Someone says "Grace" and all sit down together and are served by the cooks.

Cooks - Put amply supply of water on the fire to be ready for dish & pot washing.

When dishwashing is completed - store all food away - store all cook kits etc. in Patrol Box (B.S.H.B. - Dishwashing)

Make sure that food is properly protected for the night  
(B.S.H.B. - Section Food Care) - scrub table - pick up all scraps and put in Refuse Can - have can emptied at Incinerator.

6:00 P.M. - Troop Leaders' Council (Entire group) about 20 minutes -  
cover the following -

A - How are we doing?

B - Patrol Hike at 7:00 P.M.

C - Preparation for Campfire at 8:00 P.M.

D - Campfire at 8:30 P.M.

E - Assignments for Campfire

F.- Any other announcements

7:00 P.M. - Short Patrol Hike

Each Patrol goes where they wish - advise S.M. where - and  
what direction.

S.P.L. - Advise each group to be back before 8:00 P.M.  
Advise each P.L. that his Patrol will be expected to tell at  
Campfire, how they used their five senses (See - hear - smell -  
taste - touch) while on the hike.

P.L.'s - Report back to S.P.L. a little before 8:00 P.M.



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8:00 P.M.

S.P.L. - Call Patrols to order - Tell each Patrol

A - You have one-half hour to prepare - Patrol Yell - Patrol Song  
or Stunt for the Campfire

B - Remind them of the Patrol report on use of Senses.

C - Ask each P.L. to appoint one Scout to assist Quartermaster and  
Scribe in arranging Campfire and seating.

NOTE - A small Campfire is best - you can get close to it and it's easy to  
put out.

S.M. - Now - S.P.L. - Scribe - Q.M. have time to get Campfire ready - type of fire - and water to put fire out (here is lesson in "Being Prepared" for Conservation and Safety.

ADV. - Review with S.M. what makes a good Campfire Program -

1. Small Fire
2. Start with lively songs
3. Patrol participation - Patrol Yells - Songs - Stunts
4. Story Telling - (Ideals)
5. S.M. Minute (Ideals)
6. Quiet Songs as embers burn low
7. Closing

NOTE - No razzing - no booing - always consideration and fair play for all  
Recognition, pat on back.



G.E.T.L.C.8:30 to 9:30 P.M. - Campfire

Opening

Lively Songs

Story

Riddles

Patrol Stunts - Yells

Solo or Duet

Marshmallows

Quiet Songs

\* Announcements

S.M. Minute

Closing - Goodnight &amp; to bed

Detail - Put out fire - Dead Out - use water

* <u>Church</u>	- Catholic - 7:30 A.M.	} 12th Scout Law
	- Protestant - 7:30 A.M.	
-	Arise at 6:45 A.M.	

Quiet after Taps at 10:00 P.M. - (Scout Law - Courteous)

9:30 to 10:00 P.M. - Prepare for night

P.L.'s - Take charge

- A - Everyone wash - Brush teeth
- B - Make beds (See B.S.H.B. - Beds & Bed making)
- C - Make sure there is enough water on hand for morning washup and to start breakfast (water inside and covered)
- D - Be sure there are small pieces of dry wood or fuzz-sticks or firestarters ready

NOTE - (1) Hazing of any kind is unscoutlike

NOTE - (2) S.M. and S.P.L. should visit each quonset about Taps and check on each Scout - regarding beds - blankets - etc. - and bid each Scout goodnight

NOTE - (3) Make certain that every Scout removes all daytime clothing and puts on pajamas before retiring.



Sunday

6:45 A.M. - Rise - Wash - (A Scout is Clean)

Be ready for Church - Wear Uniform - (if owned)  
Air blankets and/or sleeping bags

7:20 A.M.

P.L.'s - Have Scouts assigned to firemaking - start fire, so it  
is ready for cooks when they return from church

Cooks - Put pot of water on the fire, so it is ready on return  
from church

7:30 A.M. - Church - (Be on time)

Catholic - Chiefs Cabin

Protestant - Training Lodge

NOTE - Patrols march to church and return to campsite in charge of P.L.'s

8:00 to 8:15 A.M. - Cooks Prepare Breakfast

Food for breakfast can be issued by Quartermaster to the Patrol Cooks before breakfast, if time permits

All members of each Patrol follow on their regular Patrol duties - such as Waterman - Clean-upper - Dishwashers

NOTE - Just before breakfast is ready to serve, everyone gather for Flag Raising

8:30 A.M. - Breakfast

Grace - and then all sit down and are served by the Cooks

Wash dishes in boiling water & put away

Take care of garbage and paper, etc.



9:15 A.M. - How to Pack

ADV. - Demonstration by S.M. and Advisor - use material as presented in B.S.H.B. - Chapter titled (Prepare for Scout Hiking and Camping". Show how all Scouts should pack, using the Yucca Scout Pack. Tricks on packing various kinds of food - use of food bags.

NOTE - Take only about 15 minutes for demonstration so that ample time is left for Scouts to actually pack own gear.

NOW - Each Scout packed, ready for return home - leave soap - towel - washcloth - comb - shoe rag and raincoat - dish towel and eating gear near top of pack for use later.

Packs must be neat - orderly - ready to carry on back. Hands empty. Adjust shoulder straps properly.

10:05 A.M. - Give everyone a 10 minute free-time.  
Camp store open 10:00 to 11:00 A.M.

10:15 A.M. - Nature Trail

ADV. - Distribute (through S.M.) and show all Scouts how to use the  
Advancement Scoreboards.

Stress - Doing outdoor requirements such as:

Wildlife - 2nd Class

Woodlore - 1st Class

Edible Wild Plants - 1st Class

Stress - Observation as practiced by Daniel Boone,  
Davy Crockett and Dan Beard

NOW - Patrol Leaders take their Patrols on the Nature Trail.  
S.P.L. - Scribe - Quartermaster go along, but let the P.L.'s  
lead - each Scout bring own B.S.H.B.

NOTE - Everyone as quiet as possible on Nature Trail (Sh-h-h)  
Patrol back at campsite at 10:45 A.M. and report progress  
toward requirements to S.M.



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11:00 A.M. - Compass & Tracking (See B.S.H.B.)

ADV. and S.M. - (Take about 20 to 25 minutes on this)

- 1 - Show compasses and let each Scout handle them.
- 2 - Lay compass on map of area and demonstrate how to orient the map.
- 3 - Find out if Scouts know how many degrees in a circle (360°) compare this with compass.
- 4 - Each Scout learn 8 principle points of the compass (N - NE - E - SE - S - SW - W - NW) NOW - see if they can figure out the degrees for these 8 points
- 5 - From a designated spot in camp, have Patrols determine the degree reading and direction of a few trees or buildings.

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10:25 A.M. - Tracking

S.P.L. - Assign one Patrol to lay an  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile trail, using Trail Signs as found in B.S.H.B.

Trail could go  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile away from campsite and return by another route for  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile.

Patrol laying trail is given a 10 minute start THEN the second Patrol goes out to follow the trail.

Warning - Trail must be BOY made NOT Man made.

12 Noon - Start Dinner

Firemakers make fire - Waterman get water - Cooks prepare food (Suggestion) Firemakers might have their fires all ready to light anytime before 12 NOON.

G.E.T.L.C.12 Noon - Camp Good Turn - (Service Project)

S.M. & S.P.L. - While cooks are preparing dinner, balance of Scouts  
led by S.M. and S.P.L. - do their Camp Good Turn  
(about 30 to 45 minutes)

NOTE - See Camp Ranger for type of project and tools

Suggestions

A - Conservation - Erosion control

B - An extra plus camp cleanup of the area within 200 feet of your  
quarters - bottles - cans - glass - paper - etc. - take all to  
incinerator.

C - Building repair or equipment repair.

Project should be useful - practical - Leaders should take part  
and demonstrate the fun in serving others.

D - Clean tools and return them to proper place.



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1:00 P.M. - Dinner should be ready now.

Say Grace - all sit down and be served by the Cooks

1:30 P.M. - When finished eating, all remain at tables until excused

S.P.L. - Have P.L.'s take charge - everyone remove packs and other gear from cabins and line it up outside against quonset wall.

While - dishwashers and cleanuppers are at work, balance of Scouts of Patrol will sweep and thoroughly clean their own quarters, ready for Inspection.

Cooks will pack Patrol Boxes and be ready for Inspection.

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2:00 P.M. - Inspection

S.M. & S.P.L. - Be thorough - Your Troop should be proud of the way everything is left for new group next week - (A Scout is Clean) - (A Scout is Helpful)

2:10 P.M. - Wash-up Time

P.L.'s - Each Patrol Leader will now have everyone do as follows -

A - Clean shoes

B - Dust clothes

C - Peel off shirt and wash - comb hair

D - Put on shirt

E - Put away wash gear - pack and close pack.

G.E.T.L.C.2:20 P.M. - Meeting

S.M. - Have Scouts gather and sit down (in shade)

Conduct general discussion and review of the weekend - cover  
such items as -

A - Did we complete any requirements for 2nd or 1st Class

B - Did we share in the Patrol responsibilities (team work)

C - Did our S.P.L. and P.L.'s share in the opportunity to lead

D - As Troop Leaders' Council, are we now better prepared to  
take the whole Troop on day and overnight camping trips.

E - Let's thank our Advisor.



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2:50 P.M. - Flag Lowering

Fold properly and store in Patrol Box

Closing ceremony

Lock all quonsets

3:00 P.M. - Check out - officially with the Camp Ranger

Turn in keys

Carry on the Patrol Method and good highway safety practices on the way home.

YOUR TROOP WILL ONLY BE AS GOOD AS IT'S PATROLS

Good camping to you wherever you go,

Training Committee,  
Chicago Council, Boy Scouts of America.